



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231  
www.uspto.gov



Bib Data Sheet

CONFIRMATION NO. 5850

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <b>SERIAL NUMBER</b><br>09/743,143                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>FILING DATE</b><br>03/05/2001<br><b>RULE</b>                                                                   | <b>CLASS</b><br>375                  | <b>GROUP ART UNIT</b><br>2631                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>ATTORNEY<br/>DOCKET NO.</b><br>YAMAP0749US |
| <b>APPLICANTS</b><br>Eiji Miyagoshi, Osaka, JAPAN;<br>Akihiro Watabe, Nara, JAPAN;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                               |
| <b>** CONTINUING DATA *****</b><br>THIS APPLICATION IS A 371 OF PCT/JP99/03766 07/13/1999 <i>RTN 7/29/04</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                               |
| <b>** FOREIGN APPLICATIONS *****</b> <i>RTN 7/29/04</i><br>JAPAN 10-200996 07/15/1998                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                               |
| Foreign Priority claimed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no<br>35 USC 119 (a-d) conditions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> Met after<br>met <i>Allowance</i><br>Verified and <i>Robert W. Wab</i><br>Acknowledged Examiner's Signature Initials |                                                                                                                   | <b>STATE OR<br/>COUNTRY</b><br>JAPAN | <b>SHEETS<br/>DRAWING</b><br>9                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>TOTAL<br/>CLAIMS</b><br>5                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>INDEPENDENT<br/>CLAIMS</b><br>2            |
| <b>ADDRESS</b><br>Neil A DuChez<br>Renner Otto Boisselle & Sklas<br>1621 Euclid Avenue 19th Floor<br>Cleveland, OH 44115                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                               |
| <b>TITLE</b><br>Method and apparatus for decoding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                               |
| <b>FILING FEE<br/>RECEIVED</b><br>990                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | FEES: Authority has been given in Paper<br>No. _____ to charge/credit DEPOSIT ACCOUNT<br>No. _____ for following: |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> All Fees<br><input type="checkbox"/> 1.16 Fees ( Filing )<br><input type="checkbox"/> 1.17 Fees ( Processing Ext. of<br>time )<br><input type="checkbox"/> 1.18 Fees ( Issue )<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Credit |                                               |